# RUSSIA'S SCHEME HELPS OUR TRADE

Pressing on to Effect a Permanent Foothold in Northern Manchuria.

PORT

VLADIVOSTOK

With the Chinese Eastern Railway a Land of Great Possibilities Will Develop.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 7 .- Russin's renewed attempt to establish a permanent foothold in Northern Manchurla by making Vladivostok the port of entry thereby offsetting the loss of Dainy and Port Arthur, is described in an official report made public at the State Depart ment to-day, which report recently reached Washington from one of the de partment's agents in China. The report expresses the belief that this will redound to the development of American trade and will result in a great curtail-

trade and will result in a great curtailment of the importance of Shanghal as a distributing point. The extract made public at the department says:

"Since the conclusion of peace between Russla and Japan there has been much speculation in the foreign community of Shanghal as to the future opportunity for trade and development in Manchurla, and therefore the negotiations between Japan and China on the one, hand and the diplematic moves of Russia at Pokin have been watched with the closest attention.

"As soon as the way to Vladivostok was open there ensued a rush of steamers from Shanghal, Tsingtao, Chefoo, Tienstin, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama, and as a consequence the himmediate demand for merchandise was soon satisfied. mand for merchandise was soon satisfied. Then came the riots both at Vladlyostok and Harbin, followed by the lee closing of the port of entry. These discouraging factors drove many of the traders away and left a market, which, while well supplied with such luxuries as are indicated for the Russians, is still demanding staples for the natives and is offering a great chance for development.

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Japan's Plans Unknown.

"No one knows what Japan intends to do in Southern Manchuria, either in the way of trade or in development in connection with her portion of the Chinese Eastern Railway, and the new line that is to be built thereto to connect with Corea. Russia, for the benefit of her portion of the Chinese Eastern Railway, for her own political affairs in the East, and perhaps for the sake of affording a contrast is letting everybody know what her aim and ambition is.

"The Chinese Eastern Railway, which leaves the old and original survey of the Trans-Siberian Railway at Northschinsk, crosses the Manchurian border at the station since called Manchuria, and then by a southeastern course runs through one of the most fertile areas on the continent to Harbin, and thence on to Poyrantizala (border), thus reaching Siberia again and joining the Cusuri Railway (a part of the original trans-Siberian route, and now running to Khabarovsk on the Amur

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original trans-Siberian route, and now running to Khabarovsk on the Amur River), goes to Viadivostok.

"Through this Manchurian section there are vast stretches of rolling and level land, great forests of fine timber of a merchantable kind and rich mineralized areas. To the south of the line lies the practically unexplored broken country which forms the northern Corean border; to the north lies the Amur River country, a land of splendid possibilities for agriculture and lumbering, and flanked by streams which are remarkable for their fisheries; to the west is that which many think is the best part of Siberia, since it contains all that had made Irkutsk the great commercial center.

"The railway itself still remains efficient, despite the strain which has been put upon it, and Russia is now apparently, through this railway company, attempting to establish a permanent foothold in Northern Manchuria and to alter things (a such an extent that relapse will be difficult. Even while Visdivostok and Harbin were burning plans were hastening for the coming campaign of development.

Scherze for Vladivostok.

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"The scheme advertised contemplated the establishment of a steamship service which would make Vladivostok the home port; the welcoming and the protection of invested capital, the invitation to use the railway as the means of transportation to Europe for the products of China, and especially of tea. These in a general way are said to be the plans, and the foreign agent has been given a free hand to put them into effect as far as the outside world is concerned. It is thus evi-

to put them into effect as far as the outside world is concerned. It is thus evident that the government and the Russian owners of this railway preperty are preparing to do a great deal toward making Viasivostok the port of entry. "The Japenese merchant marine have apparently recognized this, and while Japanese affairs are being adjusted in the former war zene, their stemers are getting ready to enter the Vladlyostok trade also. If, therefore, the ports of Southern Manchuria should be forsaken, and there should be a revision to Vladivostok it would seem that there should be a much better future for a practically discarded port.

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but if there is the outcome indicated in the foregoing, China's greatest port will suffer. American cargo will be landed at Yokohama, Kobe, Moli or Nagansaki, or it will go direct. And there will be a great curtaliment of the cargo at Shanghai which is landed here for transshipment.

"It is already announced that the Chi-nese Eastern Railway will institute a system by which all charges at fixed rates can be paid in America for shipments to any point in Munchuria reached by the line."

# SOME TALES WORTH TELLING

"I shall have to ask you for a ticket for that boy, ma'ann," insisted a conducter, speaking to a quiet-looking little woman scated beside a boy on a Pennsylvania

"I guess not," she replied, with decis-

ion.
"He's too old to travel free. He occupies a whole sent, and the car's crowded. There are people standing."
"Twe never paid for him yet," the wo-

persisted the conductor.

erissica the conductor.
"Not this trip, anyway."
"You'll pay for that boy, ma'am, or I'll stop the train and put him off."
"All right; put him off, if you think that's the way to get anything out of me."

"You ought to know what the rules of this road are, ma'am. How old is that

An Alabama negro, who has spent several years as a servant in a New York family, returning to his home, attempted to instruct the members of his family in correct usage, especially in their language. One day at the table his brother with the light of the control of the contro

"Gimmo some 'lasses, Sam."
"You mustn't say 'lasses," corrected
m; "you must say molasses."
"What is you talking 'bout?" grunted

his brother. "How's I gwine to say mo-lasses, when I ain't had none yet?"

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# AGED AND BROKEN IN HEALTH SAGE LEAVES COMMITTEE

Withdraws From Missouri Pacific Management Where He Was Long the Guiding Spirit-Gould Much Affected.



RUSSELL SAGE

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEW YOR, April 7.—Mr. Sage has withdrawn from the Executive Committee solely because of his inability to attend its meetings. His place is always open for him in case he returns. We would be only too glad, indeed, to see his health improve smidetently to permit him to be present at these and other committee meetings."

This was the announcement made at Thursday's meeting of the Executive Committee of the directorate of the Misseuri Pacific Ralifroad Company by George J. Gould, whose mentor and guide in financial ways Russell Sage has been. Mr. Gould's voice broke as he made the statement, and he made no effort to conceal the gravity of Mr. Sage's condition.

Russell Sage is in his ninetiath year, for some time his grip on matters that were once the breath of his life has

HOW THE CONTRACT WAS FILLED

(A Chemical Works Story.)

BY E. F. STEARNS.

(Author of "The Girl from Jepson's," "The Super and the Signs," "T Vitriol and Blenkinsop," Etc.)

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As the clock struck ten, Cowles— junior of Caxton & Cowles, the manufactor of chemists—sent up his card. Cowturing chemists—sent up his card. Cow-les was bidden to go up and enter the

c-room.
Well, what is it?" Caxton asked, not cordially. "It's that infernal con-

"I knew it! I knew it! I knew we

"I knew it! I knew it! I knew we were in for a muss, sooner or later. It was a fool thing from the very start. You never should have made it."
"Well, it was a pretty broad contract." Cowles confessed. "I'm not denying that part—but it was the only thing they'd sign, and we need all the business we can grab this year. Let me see. We were to furnish them with something like two thousand barrels of sal-soda during the twelve months, the deliveries to be made when they called for them. That's the substance. Last week they wanted one hundred barrels at one delivery. It was all nonsense, of course. They couldn't possibly use it all at once and it nearly wheel out our

all at once and it nearly wiped out our stock of sal-soda-but I gave it to them." Cowles avoided the eye of the invalid and stared across the bed, falling into contemplation of the bottles on the medicine table.

"Now," he said softly, "they want two hundred and fifty barrels more, before noon to-morrow!"

"Two - hundred - and - fifty!" Cax-n shouted,

"Two-ningred and inty." Casts ton shouted,
"Um-m."
"Why, hang it!" Caxton cried, testily,
"I don't believe they've even got storage facilities for another two hundred and fifty barrels there! It's a put-up

"Of course it is. It's simply a bluff

to worm out of that contract. Hewes f morally certain that we won't make the delivery-and, not having kept to our delivery—and, not having kept to our end of the agreement it let's them out as well. Do you suppose I can't see through that? I even know their reason for the move. Day before yesterday, the combine changed its mind and offered Hewes all the soda he wants, when over he wants it, for no end less than he's paying us."

"Yes, I imagine that something of the sort may have occurred," said the senior

sort may have occurred," said the senior partner, drily. "I guess Hewes is open to it, so far as we're concerned."
"Well, I don't!" said Cowles, and the glitter of war awakened in his black eyes. "Hewes isn't freed from that control will near temperature and then tract until noon to-morrow, and not then f we should happen to deliver his two

hundred and fifty barrels."

Redding, superintendent of the Caxton & Cowles factory, staring out upon the unpleasing landscape of Brooklyn's uttermost end as he ate his lunch, was startled by the abrupt intrusion of the

junior partner.
"Redding;" said that gentleman,
"there's the devil to pay again with
these Hewes people."
"More soda? Terror appeared in the
superintendent's eye. Since the signing of the Hewes contract, sal-soda had ab-

"Two hundred and fifty barrels before soon to-morrow! How does that strike 'We can't give it to them, Mr. Cowle

-that's all. There's only a hundred and two or three barrels in the place," "I know it. How much soda is grystal-lizing now in the coolers?"

We may take out 55 barrels this after-"Good. You have 20 coolers for Gmu

ber's salt, haven't you, and 15 more for Epsom's?'

"Yes."
"All right. Empty them-every oneand start more soda crystallizing."
"That won't give us the balance before non to-morrow."
"Never you mind noon to-morrow,"

said Cowles. "If you push everything to the limit you can turn out the stuff by noon on Thursday—the day after to-

"I suppose so."
"All right. That's what I wanted to

"But will Hewes give us the day of ginee necessary for that, Mr. Cowlest".
"I'm not going to ask for it-you can samble on that, Redding. Now, they want one hundred barrels with our brand on—that's what they mean to use themselves; and the other hundred and fifty are to be delivered with no brand—that's what they intend to resell, of course, I think we'll order brand-new sugar barrels for that lot. They look nicer, and Hewes'll be just that much more likely wasn't an earthly thing in a one of those to save them for his customers. Can your barrel man give us that many to-night?" "But will Hewes give us the day of

"I'll ask him." Redding turned to the

"I'll ask him." Redding turned to the telephone. "Yes," he said, after a moment, "we can have them."
"All right. Order 'em. Tell him they positively must be here before six o'clock. And, by the way, before I started over here, Redding, I called up that Grandford concern that is putting down the new floor and talked with the manager of their place in Long Island Chy. They—say, Redding, just close that door, will you? I can do without an audience."

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were out of the way-or would be at noon-and the Combine having conceded the desired cut in prices, Hewes would henceforth buy his sal-soda much more

cheaply. The appearance in his private office of the elderly receiving clerk from Washington street interrupted his thought. "What's that, Burrell?"

"The bureau of encumbrances had a man down below, just now, to clear the street. We've got barrels of sal-soda down there to burn."

"What!" Hewes's desk chair spun around and he faced the receiving clerk in amazement. "Caxton & Cowles?"

"Yes, sir. Didn't you order it?"

"Well-yes, I did order it, Burrell, but-" "The bureau of encumbrances had a

"It got there all right. Say, we've got sat-soda on the street, sat-soda on the street, sat-soda on the ground floor, sat-soda upstates; there's more of it out on the platform that'll have to go on the roof, I guess. You know that storehouse ain't any great shakes for size, anyway, and it was near full before," protested the old man; "but those blamed trucks have been blocking traffic since nine o'clock, and dumping sat-soda till—"
"What time did they stop?"
"I guess it was about quarter to twelve, John."

"That's right, I—I'll swear I never thought they'd deliver it," sighed Howes. "Well-put it wherever you can, Burrell."
The painful superfluity of soda upon his hands pursued John Hewes through Thursday morning; and when after lunch Cowles' card was brought him, he felt no proper cordiality. What the devil had he come for, anyway? Was it to enjoy a brief scance of politely velled gloating?" Well-put it wherever you can, Burrell.

But the junior partner of Caxton & Cowles were a frown of annoyance as he entered.

"I suppose you've got it in for me. Mr. Hewes?" "Hey? Why?" Howes asked abrupt-

ly. "What! Hadn't your people put in a kick about it, down at the warehouse?" "No, Why? Didn't you send the full lot?" Was there, after all, a ray of

hope?
"The two hundred and fifty barrels?
Why, of course. The whole order was filled on time." Cowles' tone suggested mild horror at the imputation. "But you have always wanted your sal-sada in flour barrels—sugar barrels are protty big for some of the retail people. We sent you sugars yesterday, you know, through an error—one hundred and fifty of them—those without the brand."
"Oh?" Hewes grunted. "Well-never mind, Let it go at that, Mr. Cowles. It—it makes no particular difference. I suppose."

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"But it does make a difference," Cowles insisted. "You know, it is a good deal of a point with us to fill our orders to the very letter. This morning I discovered what had happened; and rather than put you to any inconvenience, I've had them send over another hundred and fifty barrels—hours, this time. They're rolling them into your warehouse now, and removing the others."
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When night had fallen and whistles When night had fallen and whistes were blowing the bour of six, Cowies got the factory on the wire once more and called for Redding.
"Are they back, Redding?"
'All of them."
"Sure?"

ly. One hundred and fifty."

"And none of them had been opened?"

"No, sir. Not one. I examined each head as it was rolled off the truck, and there isn't a single seaf. They're just as they left the factory yesterday morn

Later, over the dinner table, Cowles was spinning the tale to his wife.
"But I don't understand," she interrupted. "You say that you couldn't possibly have delivered the soda before noon to-day, yet yesterday you sent the full order."

order."
"I also said that I called up the Grandford Paving people yesterday. They're laying the new macadam floor in fire sulphurfe shop, you know. I hurried them up on the materials they were sending and—well, we used some of them branded barrels."

### May Be Rewarded Hereafter.

A child is born in the neighborhood: the A child is born in the neighborhood; the attending physician sets \$10. The editor gives the loud-lunged youngster and the happy parents a send off and gets \$0. When it is christened the minister gets \$10 and the editor gets \$00. It grows up and marries. The editor publishes another long-winded, flowery article, and tells a dozen lies about the "beautiful and accomplished bride"; the minister gets \$10. dozen lies about the "beautiful and ac-complished bride"; the minister gets \$10 and a piece of cake and the editor gets \$500. In the course of time it dies. The doctor gets from \$5 to \$100, the under-taker from \$50 to \$100; the editor pub-lishes a notice of the death and an obituary two columns long, lodge and society resolutions, a lot of poetry and a free card of thanks, and gets \$900. No wonder so many editors get rich.—Meade (Mo.) Globe.

# The Oldest Woman.

There is now in a refuge for the aged in Madrid a woman who may probably claim to be the oldest member of her sex in the world. She is an Andalusian, and was born at Granada in 1781. Her name is Maria Nieto y Santos. She has inhabited Madrid for 163 years, and has been the mother of twenty-one children, all of whom are dead, though most of them lived to a fairly old age. There is nothing emachated or cadaverous about the old woman's appearance. The skin has a healthy appearance, there is color in the cheeks and her eye is still clear and bright. The surgeon in charge of the home thinks she may still live a considerable time, London Dally Globe.

# Eleven Good Men and True.

A Texas correspondent tells how an obstinate juryman was circumvented by his fellow judges of the facts. The offence charged was assault with intent to murder. After the jury had been out about two hours it returned the following verdict:

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"We never stop at bothering, when it's a question or satisfying a customer, Mr. Hewes," Cowles returned pleasant-

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ProfessorWirth Says That Mr. Roosev Could Travel in an

Professor Arecht Wirth, of Munich, to-day contrices a signed article to Der Tag on t possibility of President Roosevelt and uperor William exchangng visits. Pr

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Little David had active been regarded by his father and wher as being particularly smart and deer for a child of tender years. One davyhile he was playing in front of his hon a rough-looking tramp appeared, and hed David very sharply where his fathekent his money. He replied that it was it in his vest in the kitchen.

A few minutes later tramp came through the doorway in hurry, very much battered up and loong sad, muttering:

"Smart kid, that. Neveland a word about his old man being inhe yest."

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